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HUGHES AND FAIRBANKS

Moose Step Child Steps Aside
T. R. Quits Politics
Now What?

All last week was a busy time in Chicago. Moose and stand patters were on hand early and stayed late, that is all except the greatest man in the Republican or Progressive ranks who quit before the game was over and says he is going to stay quit. Col. Roosevelt has announced that he is out of politics, wont pose for a picture, the most convincing evidence of his sincerity, nor say a word to console his intrepid and faithful followers.

The two conventions played the game of politics to perfection to a certain point, when suddenly the regulars vainly trying to prevent the nomination of Justice Hughes were overwhelmed in the third ballot and the second attempt to make presidential timber out of an alleged legal giant was successful so far as a nomination was concerned, Justice Hughes, a United States Supreme Court Justice to this moment, received 949, Roosevelt 184, weeks 3 and scattering 16.

It is needless to say that when Col. Roosevelt was nominated in the Progressive convention immediately after Justice Hughes had been acclaimed Republican leader in the other convention and when word was received from him direct from Sagamore Hill that he would not accept the nomination at that time, but if the party desired to leave the matter of a presidential candidate open, he might later change his mind, there was consternation, tears, denunciation and procrastination. Such a bunch of broken hearts will never perhaps be seen again in a political convention. Top gone and the bottom dropping out of canned hope, many of the great men of the nation were puzzled to a standstill. Declarations that another leader would be named if the Col. finally declined were met with unanimous approval and the pleasure of the great Bull Moose awaited with the settlement of the question left with the national committee.

Upon receiving word that he had been nominated, Justice Hughes telegraphed his acceptance together with sentiments so closely along the line of those which had been promulgated and pushed all over the country by Col. Roosevelt, that it was no wonder that a deal was suspected of which the body of the Progressives knew nothing. The platform of the Republicans also bore ear marks of the Moose part and unless some understanding with the Col. had been secretly established, no man among all the astute statesmen and politicians of the Progressive convention could account for the existing conditions.

Simultaneous with the writing of his letter of acceptance and principles, Justice Hughes placed his resignation from the Supreme Court of the United States in the hands of President Wilson.

Hon. Charles W. Fairbanks, standing candidate for president or anything else which is worth while, was named for vice-President by the Republican convention.

Democrats in Chicago were in the same frame of mind as the man on top of his house while his wife and a bear were fighting in the yard. He said it was the first fight he ever saw when he didn't give a dang which one whipped.

K. H. S. CLOSED

Disciplinary Invocations Effective.

Commencement Last Night.

Grand Decorations.



Katherine Virginia Sigloch
Valedictorian

The Keytesville Public Schools closes the term of nine months this week. Possibly many do not stop to think of the capacity of the institution that is in their midst because they are older and did not have the chance now afforded to their children though they know the importance of its tenets and vote and pay a high rate of taxes for its maintenance.

The aim of every high school is to seek at least to train the pupils to a high degree of citizenship as well as to cast an influence over their choice of profession. They do not stand as the final end of the career. This is a first class high school and places a pupil in a position to matriculate with any other institution in the nation and is not

bounded by the state. It maintains a thorough course in English, mathematics, history, latin and science. Aside from this its office is to impart information along the lines of future experience.

On the whole this has been a successful year. Inspection was had by the State Department in December and we remained on the first class list. It is graduating a class of six young women and two young men. The class roll is as follows: George Hooper, Charles Bondurant, Lucy Phillips, Nell White, Myrtle Friesz, Bertha Cuddy, Edith Taylor and Katherine Sigloch. The last named graduate student has an enviable record and as the valedictorian has been offered a scholarship in every college in the state



Charles Palmer Bondurant
Prize Athlete

through T. Berry Smith, the secretary of the college union. The University also has tendered and offered free from fees to Charles Bondurant whose picture appears with that of the valedictorian and who has won distinction as an athlete, a scholarship. He captured more points on the athletic field in Brunswick at the county meet than any other individual and thereby won the medal offered by the Chariton Courier. He also won first in shot put in the state meet at Columbia and got a place in the high hurdles and other events of the day. He lately won the medal offered by the Independent of New York in the essay contest so that his attainments are not limited to physical ability. The attendance of George

Hooper of Triplett has been highly appreciated. He has proved himself a good student and has served the term as president of the senior class. He together with Misses Phillips and Cuddy, will teach in rural schools the coming year. Miss Sigloch has announced her intention of continuing her studies in Columbia. Miss White will take teacher-training work in Richmond next winter. The other two young women have not announced their intentions. Bondurant will attend Westminster at Fulton.

This is excellent young blood going out into the world which has the ability to do much for good, reflect credit upon the school and community and meet life's requirements well prepared. The best wishes of all go with them.

BACCALAUREATE in Part

Rev. B. G. Rudd

"And he began to be in want . . . And when he came to himself, he said, . . . I will arise and go to my father." Luke 15: 14, 17, 18.

This is a strange story as a basis for a baccalaureate sermon. Is it not? But I would not limit it to the confines of religious institutions, but will give a liberal interpretation as I think Jesus meant.

The universe is Our Father's home. We are God's children, and as such He intends for us to be happy and at home. When we fail to adapt ourselves in this increasingly complex life, there is discord, and we are in a far country. We are at home when at work helping Our Father adjust things as they slowly evolve.

The story of the prodigal is an account of a youth who came to manhood with a wrong attitude toward life. He spent most of his life in good and beautiful and true. The only things that were left to him were hope, and the strength to say, I will arise and go to my father.

It was not only hunger of the physical kind that led to this resolution, but the hunger of a

soul that was homesick. The Canadian Kipling fitly describes it;

Hunger not of the belly kind that's banished with bacon and beans.

But the gnawing hunger of lonely men for a home and all that it means.

You ask; Is it a good thing to be in want? It depends on what you want. If needing physical comforts will bring one into harmony with the eternal realities, yes. But it is better not to squander one's inheritance. The problem is to know what to want in order to remain at home all the time.

Most of us are like a professor recuperating from an illness. He was very hungry and wanted something mighty badly, but when asked by the nurse to make a selection of food, he did not know what he wanted. Thus the American people want something mighty badly, but they do not know what they want. And so as a nation, we are restless. Some people throw up their hands and bemoan the fact that there is so much unrest. To me it is the most glorious thing in life and the most hopeful sign of our time. A condition of social rest exists when there is an exact balance between individual wants and those of our

institutions. Social institutions arise to fulfill the wants of the average citizen. When the people are discontented with their government, their educational institutions, their churches and other social organizations, it shows that they have ideals of something that they think is better.

All that we value most is bound up in a society of persons. Therefore the man of the Twentieth Century must want what society and its institutions can give. But society cannot supply all his wants at present, for institutions move more slowly than individuals. Hence social unrest. We are free to get what we want but none wants to be free from social wants. No one wants to be a star and dwell apart; nor would he want to be a Christian, if being such meant living to one's self. We are dependent upon each other. The struggle of this age is for self-realization in the social group. It is a sad civilization that is satisfied and has no wants. It is better to have any old want than none at all.

But it is better to have rational wants, to have the purpose of being at home with God. Life is God's precious gift to you. It is yours to create what kind of life you choose. The purpose of

an education is to help one to know what to want. Not any old want, but right wants.

If some beings should come from Mars to our planet today, their first problem would be to determine what they wanted to be. To do this they must know what they are potentially.

Your problem is to know yourself. What am I capable of becoming? Like God or like a devil? We may play Doctor Jekyll and Mr. Hyde for a while; but if too long, we may lose the power to say, I will arise and go to my father, even if we come to ourselves.

If your education has helped you to know what you are capable of; if it has helped you to know your times; if it has helped prepare you to share in setting times right, it has not been in vain.

In literature, Hamlet stands as the antithesis of the Prodigal. He presents the dangerous aspect of an education. A dreamer, a lover of sport and beauty, with high ideals of manhood, and an infinite trust in man, he is called home from the University of Wittenburg by the death of his father. He learns that his father was poisoned by his uncle who becomes king. With in a month his mother marries the murderer. Hamlet is shocked

THE EUROPEAN WAR

Russians Crowding Austrians Out
No Activity at Verdun
Navies Motionless.

Russians have driven Austrians far towards the line and captured thousands of prisoners and guns this week, one of the greatest drives in the history of the Russian army before which Austria was powerless.

Both armies at Verdun are recuperating. Naval fleets are playing safe keeping away from each other.

Germany is victorious in the far east in minor engagements.

Mexico

Question of our right to hold troops in Mexico is being enforced with arms. U. S. wins every engagement. There will be little news until next week, then watch for events detailed to this paper.

Farewell to Teachers

On Monday night the Christian Church tendered a farewell social to Misses Mary Jane and Ruth Gilbert and Professor Gibbany, each of whom has taken an active part in church work of this town.

The Epworth League under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Bennett was responsible for an excellent program musical numbers, word of appreciation and good will and parlor games were fittingly arranged.

The ladies of the church then served refreshments which consisted of strawberries and ice cream with cake.

The parlor was beautifully decorated with plants and cut flowers. About a hundred friends were present, and the esteem in which our departing teachers are held was evident by the hearty response of all to the occasion.

Electric Lights

The City Council ordered an Election on the Electric light proposition submitted by Mr. Nichol of Brunswick. The election will be held Monday June 26 and not only a full vote but unanimous vote should turn out.

J. L. Cropper went to Kansas City Tuesday.

ed with life. He suddenly wakes up to find he has had false ideals. He had knowledge of books, but not wisdom. When his duty appears, he lives in the realm of ideas instead of in the world of action.

"The time is out of joint,
O cursed spite
That ever I was born
to set it right."

Not rising against his problem with action meant failure by loss of character and of life. In his loneliness before the duel, he says to Horatio, Thou wouldst not think how ill all's here about my heart; but it is no matter.

This class of nineteen-sixteen is about to face a period of responsibility. Questions will confront you: What am I to do with life? What was I made for? Is there any place for me in this world?

Will you be a dreamer and shirk your obligations, and as a consequence suffer in your mind the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune? Will you let your resolutions be sicklied o'er with the pale cast of thought and the enterprises of great pith and moment lose the name of action?

Or will you, with the hope and determination of the Prodigal who at last came to himself, take up arms against a sea of troubles and help adjust the problems of your times?